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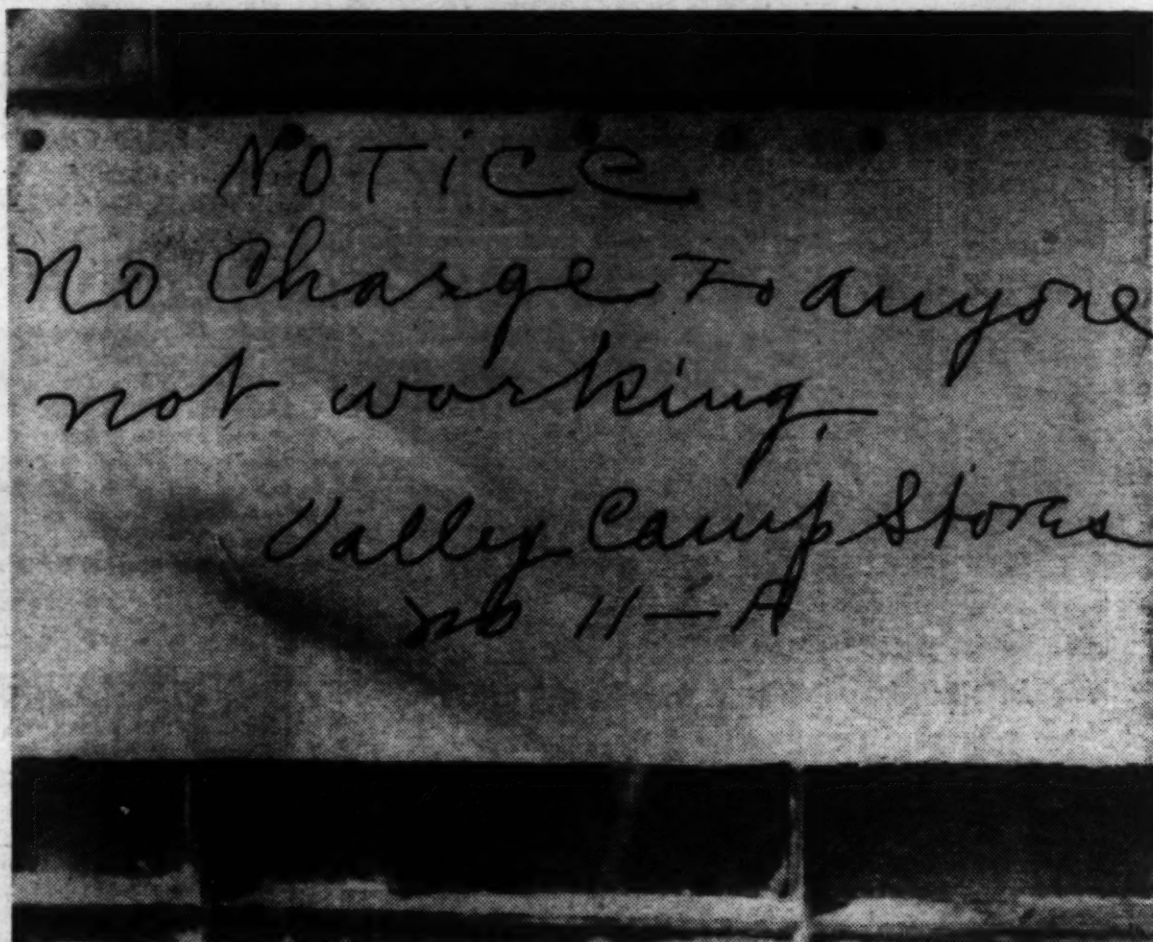
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JUDGE RULES UMW MUST STAND TRIAL

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Coal Barons' Weapon: This notice, at the entrance to a coal company store near Morgantown, W. Va., is a brutal threat to use the weapon of hunger against the striking miners. The notice, signed by the Valley Camp Stores, No. 11-A, says in effect that strikers won't get credit for food for their wives and children. —Daily Worker Photo

What Public Doesn't Know About the Mine Strike

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Latin-America Can't Trust US Press, Will Form Own News Association

By Joseph Starobin

(Foreign Editor of the Daily Worker)

BOGOTA, Columbia, Nov. 29.—Most important development of the fourth Pan American press congress here was the decision last night of all Latin American delegates to form their own press association to compete with U. S. agencies like AP and UP.

A commission proposal to this effect was voted at midnight after sharpest criticism by Cuban, Mexican, Venezuelan and Haitian dele-



gates against the imperialist outlook and inadequate news coverage of North American press agencies.

Jack Fendell representing Hearst's INS here fought bitterly to refer the proposal back to the executive. But every Latin American delegation representing leading newspapers of some 17 countries refused the plea of delay. There was consternation here among the U. S. delegation headed by Tom Wallace, publisher of the Louisville, Ky., Times, and Julio Garzon of New York's La Prensa.

Most of the 16 U. S. delegates represent big agencies like AP,

UP, the Hearst and the Time-Life combine. One or two independent newspaper editors are here and owners of several smaller syndicates.

On the face of it, the resolution to establish a new agency was a

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commercial matter. But in debate it became clear that both the owners and editors of leading Latin American papers, conservative and democratic, have deep political re-

sentment against North American news agencies.

It is felt that the news of U. S. developments give distorted political slants and represent monopoly viewpoints. Major resentment however, is against inadequacy of news about Latin America itself, which the hemisphere divisions of AP, UP, and INS send out.

The adopted resolution provides that Latin American newspapers enter into immediate negotiations with respective governments on radio and cable rights. It is known that Cuban and Costa Rican dele-

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WORLD EVENTS

Will Disarmament Include A-Bomb?

By Helen Simon

LAKE SUCCESS, Nov. 29.—The main issue before the Nations, as the debate on disarmament got under way today, was whether elimination of the atombomb will be included in the reduction of armament.

Senator Tom Connally, U.S. delegate in the UN's key Political and Security Committee, appeared reluctant about the Soviet motion for reduction in armaments, because it included the A-bomb.

UNANIMITY PRINCIPLE

Soviet delegate Andrei Vishinsky said the atombomb should be banned as a first step in disarmament. Connally declared that first the "major issues" between the allies left over

CONNALLY HEDGES AS DEBATE OPENS

from the war must be settled.

At issue too was whether the UN would maintain the Big Five unanimity principle in the Security Council and whether this would apply to any agreement on the atombomb. Connally repeated the U.S. opposition to applying the UN charter principle to atomic control, while the Soviet delegation favors this.

Connally expressed America's desire to cut down armaments. However, he insisted mutual security must precede disarmament.

Vishinsky replied that disarmament itself is one of the basic conditions for mutual security; that the people will not feel secure so

long as an atomic bomb is suspended over their heads.

Vishinsky also added a new section to the Soviet disarmament proposal: that all nations submit information to the Security Council on their armaments—meaning "not only knives and sabers but also that weapon of which Mr. Connally spoke so eloquently."

In amendments rejected by Vishinsky, both Canadian and Australian delegates seek to substitute, for the forthright Soviet demand that manufacture of atomic bombs cease, a plea that the Atomic Energy Commission expedite its work.

While Connally expressed the hope that his commission would

end its stalemate, thanks to the Soviet agreement on inspection and control, Australia's N. J. O. Makin indicated what was on both their minds. He complained:

"The outlawing or banning of a particular weapon which is possessed by only one or by a small number of members, might be unequal in its application."

BRITISH STAND

Britain's Sir Hartley Shawcross, backing the Australian and Canadian stand, seemed especially anxious to protect the rights of the Atomic Energy Commission. Not wanting to turn the question of atomic disarmament over to the Security Council, where Big Five

unanimity must prevail, he used the clever argument that there the one power able to manufacture or use the atomic bomb could wield the veto against control measures.

Vishinsky, however, was not to be swayed from his defense of Big Five unanimity or his demand that disarmament be handled by the Security Council.

Spokesmen for Denmark, Norway, Belgium and El Salvador expressed appreciation of the Soviet initiative, and hoped that the burden of armament and fear could soon be lifted. Brazil's Pedro Velloso, however, appeared worried that the atmosphere was not ripe for disarmament.

Discussion will continue tomorrow morning on basic principles, and then a drafting sub-committee may be set up.

Elliot Roosevelt Says U.S. Embassy Instigated Smear

Elliott Roosevelt charged yesterday that a published report of his alleged conversations at a private party in Moscow was the result of a "put-up job" by the American embassy, according to United Press. The report, published by the magazine Newsweek, tried to convey the impression that the late President's son was a sort of Russian agent. In his book about his father, "As He Saw It," Elliott Roosevelt defended FDR's American foreign policy of friendship with the Soviet Union.

Newsweek's account was a falsified report of conversations at an unofficial reception given him and his wife at the home of Manning Williams, assistant director of the Office of International Information and Cultural Affairs, Elliott Roosevelt declared.

QUOTED INCORRECTLY

"In the first place the statement quoted by Newsweek was incorrect because it does not carry the full story," Roosevelt said. "In the second place they quoted incorrectly conversations which took place at a private party at which I understand no Newsweek representative was present and from which I understand no newspapermen present sent stories."

"I refuse to divulge the conversation of others at a private party just as I expect others to respect my conversation. If there was any question the press wanted put to me they had the right to ask for a press conference."

When foreign correspondents told Roosevelt they were unaware of any put-up job by the Embassy, Roosevelt said:

"I know better. I have made a

Bomb Explodes in Falange Building

BARCELONA, Nov. 29.—A bomb exploded tonight destroying one wing of a building housing two Spanish Falange newspapers. One person was reported killed.

Farley Asks a Question Which James A. Has Already Answered

"I think it is unfortunate that we did not keep a larger Army abroad. . . . Many of the small countries expect us to protect them from the spread of Communism."

—James A. Farley, April 23, 1946.

"I cannot understand why Russia does not have confidence in us."

—James A. Farley, Nov. 27, 1946.



World's Meanest Black Market: Some of the cases of U.S. Navy blood plasma which racketeer merchants sold at high prices in the Shanghai black market. A total of 290 tons of the plasma had been declared surplus by the Foreign Liquidation Commission. They are being recovered following the furor caused by news of the deal, which reflects the corruption of Chiang Kai-shek's regime. Looking over some of the recovered cases is Eric Schmidt, commission official.

Polish Communists, Socialists Unite

WARSAW, Nov. 29.—Communist and Socialist parties of Poland, chief support of the present Government, joined forces today forming a new political combine with some 1,000,000 members, and girded for "a relentless fight against fascist forces."

The government also announced that two new Socialist ministers had been appointed to the cabinet.

It was announced yesterday that two leaders of the secret organization WIN had been arrested. Security police said the arrests would smash WIN.

An agreement uniting 500,000 members of Poland's traditional Socialist Party (PPS) and 400,000 members of the Communist Polish Workers Party (PPR) will be signed tomorrow.

The agreement binds all members to fight the Polish Peasant Party (PSL) of Vice-Premier Stanislaw Mikolajczyk and describes his group as "the legal superstructure of the

reactionary underground." It appeals to individual PSL members to join the new coalition.

The accord also agrees to try to maintain the value of the zloty, now 100 to the dollar officially, but 750 to the dollar on the black market.

New ministers added to the cabinet are Joseph Cyrankiewicz, general secretary of the Socialist Party, minister without portfolio, and Prof. Stanislaw Leszczynski, who will be-

come vice-minister of foreign affairs.

Arrested for secret anti-government plotting were Boleslaw Galaj, head of the Socialist Warsaw Council, and Szturm de Sztrem, who before the war headed the Polish Central Statistics Office.

A spokesman for the Security Police denied that two other Socialists—Kasimierz V. Puzak and Obarski Obarsk—had been arrested as claimed by Socialist Party headquarters.

PALESTINE COURT UPHOLDS DEPORTATIONS TO CYPRUS

The Palestine Supreme Court yesterday refused to grant a writ of habeas corpus for some 4,000 Jewish immigrants held aboard ships at Haifa, opening the way for their deportation to Cyprus, United Press reported.

Jewish attorneys had sought the writ for the immigrants, who arrived Wednesday aboard the ship Knesset Israel, on the ground that their deportation could come only through ordinary legal processes.

The immigrants were transferred

from their ships to three British transports after British soldiers killed two Jews.

WORLD BRIEFS



PRAVDA, Moscow paper, urged miners to make up recent "deficiencies" in coal output. It urged loading of coal on a 24-hour basis.

EMANCIPATION DAILY, Chinese Communist paper, declared the China-U. S. commercial treaty was the most shameful treaty of betrayal in China's history. Kuomintang spokesman Wang Hau-Ching said most of the criticism emphasizes the fact that China is not on the same level as the United States in industry and commerce and hence is unable to reap the same benefits as the U.S. from equal and reciprocal treaty provisions.

THE AMG in Berlin announced it had returned 184 boats to Hungary. It was also announced 161 Yugoslav vessels will be returned within a week, as will 25 Czechoslovak boats.

DR. REES WILLIAMS, Laborite, in a Commons debate on UNRRA, said there was a "strong suspicion" that American firms had dumped on UNRRA goods for which they could no longer find a market in the United States. "For instance, the Chinese were surprised to receive a large consignment of women's body belts," he said.

GRETE BARTRAM, 22, of Aarhus, Denmark, convicted of being a Gestapo agent during the war, was sentenced to death. She was accused of causing the death of nine victims, and of bringing about the arrest of her own father and brother.

MIGUEL ALEMAN takes office tomorrow as president of Mexico.

Civilians and troops of the Viet Nam Republic were evacuating the towns of Halphong and Langson on the Chinese border 62 miles north of Saigon, an official source in French Indo-China said. Viet-Nameese batteries on Catba Isle in the gulf of Tonkin opened fire yesterday on the French cruiser Suffren but did not hit it, the French reported.

We're All Set

—By Alan Max

It appears that except for our atombombs and the army to protect our atombomb plants and the navy to transport the atombombs and the airforce to drop them, we are ready to disarm completely.

LABOR and the NATION

Miners in Court Deny Contempt

By FRED VAST

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough today overruled a defense motion to dismiss the contempt case against John L. Lewis and the AFL United Mine Workers. The mine leader pleaded not guilty.

At the same time Goldsborough declared the Norris-La Guardia case does not apply to his restraining order forbidding continuance of the mine strike. These actions and other statements

Why Norris-LaGuardia Act Gives Miners Right to Ignore Injunction

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers are within their lawful rights in ignoring Judge T. Alan Goldsborough's injunction, according to a prominent labor lawyer here, who prefers not to be quoted by name. The injunction, he said, violates the Norris-LaGuardia Act.

The U.S. Supreme Court has held many times that an injunction which goes beyond the jurisdiction of the court need not be obeyed. Any action which violates the U.S. Constitution or goes counter to U.S. laws is an il-

legal extension of the court's jurisdiction, he said.

As an illustration, he cited the case of R. J. Thomas, vice-president of the UAW-CIO, who was cited for contempt in 1943 by a Texas court for organizing the union in violation of a state law. Thomas ignored the injunction and continued his organizing activities. The U.S. Supreme Court in 1944 ruled that Thomas was within his rights because the injunction was unlawful.

WHAT THE ACT SAYS

he Norris-LaGuardia Act specifies certain actions by workers which cannot be enjoined or restrained. These include peaceful picketing, joining or remaining a

member of a union, the distribution of strike benefits, ceasing or refusing to perform any work, giving publicity to the union's position, and peaceful assembly.

He stressed the Goldsborough injunction was unlawful because it restrained the union from certain of these actions.

The second part of the act permits the issuance of injunctions but specifies that the court has no jurisdiction except where there are unlawful acts, where there is proof of substantial injury, or where police are unable to cope with the situation.

But in these cases, no injunction may be issued except after a hearing at which both sides are represented.

Neither the government nor Judge Goldsborough complied

with this section of the act, the lawyer said.

"But what about Goldsborough's claim that even if the injunction is illegal, Lewis and the miners should have obeyed it until they could argue their case in court?" the lawyer was asked.

"That claim won't hold water," he said. "The judge is arguing that he should be permitted to violate the law for the 10 days during which the injunction is in effect. Then, if the higher court proves he was wrong, he will say, 'So sorry.' But meanwhile a strike might be broken."

"If he can get away with that, the Norris-La Guardia Act won't be worth the paper it's written on. Judges all over the country will issue injunctions, break strikes and then say, 'So sorry.'"

by the Judge made it increasingly obvious he would rule Lewis and the UMW are guilty of contempt.

The union has already announced it would appeal.

The morning's proceedings were devoted to defense arguments for dismissal.

The government dominated the afternoon session as it began its parade of witnesses with Navy Capt. N. H. Collisson, coal mine administrator. It also introduced documents relating to seizure and administration of the mines.

Goldsborough overruled defense claims that the evidence was irrelevant to contempt proceedings.

The judge also indicated there would be no prison sentence. When UMW attorney Edmund Burke of Springfield, Ill., argued the trial proceedings are punitive, Goldsborough said the sessions are not being held to punish the defendants.

Burke and T. C. Townsend of Charleston, W. Va., both appearing in the case for the first time—contended the government could not prosecute on criminal and civil contempt grounds at the same time.

Townsend challenged Goldsborough's assertion that Welly Hopkins, UMW chief counsel had admitted the union and Lewis were in contempt.

CHARGE HELD VAGUE

Pursuing his argument that the government's petition and supporting affidavit were improper, Townsend said:

"The defendants can't be tried on a statement that contains nothing but belief. It must be definite and certain that the defendants have committed contempt, with particularity. This is a case of criminal contempt and the government has not supplied proof."

"The burden is on the government to prove guilt without a reasonable doubt. The law provides a criminal proceeding must specify the time and place and state facts of the charge and describe it as such (criminal). The Judge's order must cite the facts. This affidavit and petition of the Attorney General don't fall within the rule."

Assistant Attorney General John Bonnett replied he was prepared to argue both the criminal and civil aspects.

Goldsborough said the government was not bound by the rules when its rights or interests are involved. He held laws are made for citizens, not for the government, which is not bound by statutes.

OWNERS BAR TALKS

The board of directors of the Southern Coal Producers Association last night repudiated a suggestion by its president, Edward R. Burke, that John L. Lewis call a truce to permit direct negotiations with mine owners.

"There is a time and a place for contract negotiations, but it is not proper while the matter is in the Federal court," the directors' statement said.

Sen. William F. Knowland (R-Cal) yesterday urged Truman to call for "volunteers" to scab on the miners.

In Detroit, automobile companies laid off 125,000 until Monday, blaming shortage of supplies on the coal strike.

An editor of the magazine *Steel* predicted that within the "next month or so" 90,000 to 100,000 steel workers would be made idle.

More Delegates To Be at Rally On Soviet Amity

Additional acceptances will assure the presence of at least 15 delegations to the United Nations General Assembly at the "Get Together with Russia" rally this Monday at Madison Square Garden, which will hear a key address by Andrei Y. Vishinsky, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the USSR, it was announced by Joseph E. Davies, honorary chairman of the meeting.

Delegations from the Soviet Union, France, Czechoslovakia, Chile, Iraq, Philippines, Panama, Uruguay, Iceland and Honduras have already accepted, Mr. Davies announced.

Dr. Stuart Mudd, professor of bacteriology, University of Pennsylvania and president of the American-Soviet Medical Society, who worked with Soviet scientists to improve their penicillin cultures, and Norman Corwin, radio author and producer, will be among the speakers.

KKK in Ga. Wins Decisive Delay

ATLANTA, Nov. 29. — The Ku Klux Klan, through a series of delaying tactics, tonight appeared to have won assurance that the state's suit to quash its charter will never come to trial and will be dropped when Gov. Eugene Talmadge takes office Jan. 14.

A similar suit against the anti-Jewish and anti-Negro Columbians, Inc., was deferred for trial until 1947, when the new group filed a demurrer on today's deadline for an answer.

Court officials said a hearing on the legal questions in the Klan suit could not be scheduled until the week of Dec. 16 and the earliest the case could go before a jury would be the week of Jan. 13. Talmadge takes office Jan. 14.



HELD IN BAIL of \$100,000 as a material witness is Louis S. Lados, 35, of Riverside, Conn. Authorities want to find out what he knows of the Nickel \$734,000 swindle. Lados was until recently an assistant vice-president of the Hellenic Bank in New York.

Rogge to Speak Here Tuesday

O. John Rogge, former Assistant Attorney General who was fired for discussing publicly the activities of pro-fascist groups in America, will speak in New York Tuesday evening under the auspices of the American Jewish Congress.

Rogge will speak at Manhattan Center.

Other speakers will be Dr. J. Raymond Walsh, National Citizens PAC leader; Prof. Roma Gans of Teachers College, Columbia; Russell Nixon, former chief of the Denazification Section of the AMG Finance Department; and Bernard J. Har-kavy, executive secretary of the Manhattan Division of the A.J.C.

Max Tachna, President of the Manhattan Division will chair the meeting.

NATIONAL SCENE



THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE Commission announced a hearing Dec. 11 on continued fuel rates for servicemen on trains and buses. Nearly all eastern bus lines and railroads have told the Commission they intend to cancel special rates, Dec. 1. The Army, Navy and Coastguard protested.

STREPTOMYCIN will be available to the general public next month, the Civilian Production Administration announced. . . . William Chapman Foster, president of the Pressed and Welded Steel Products Co., Inc., was appointed Undersecretary of Commerce by President Truman.

Harlem Housing Rally Today

The United Negro and Allied Veterans is staging an all-city housing demonstration today (Friday) at 2 p. m. at 128th St. and 8th Ave. to focus attention on boarded-up houses in Harlem, and the plight of homeless Harlem vets.

UNAVA is demanding rehabilitation of some 200 houses in Harlem, and the inclusion of Negro veterans in the newly opened projects at 23d St. and Marine Park.

At the last moment yesterday, Mayor William O'Dwyer postponed until next Tuesday a scheduled housing conference with a delegation of UNAVA officials and prominent citizens.

Oliver Martin, UNAVA State Commander said yesterday, "The increase in Harlem's population by 150,000 in the last five years and the large number of Negro veterans make it imperative that the city rehabilitate at least 1,000 apartments."

Today's demonstration will hear Councilmen Eugene Connolly and

Benjamin J. Davis; Charles A. Collins, vice-president of the Hotel and Club Employees, Local 6; Leon Strauss, executive secretary, Fur-

riers Joint Council; Bonita Williams of UHTCO; and others. Russell Daville, folk singer, will be among the entertainers.

Detroit Car Ferry Seamen Vote Strike to Back Demands

By William Allan

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 29.—Car ferry seamen, members of the CIO National Maritime Union, here, today registered support by a vote of 793 to 19 for strike action if necessary to win their demands for a 48-hour week and improved working conditions.

A strike referendum was authorized last week when negotiations broke up when the railroads re-

jected all compromises.

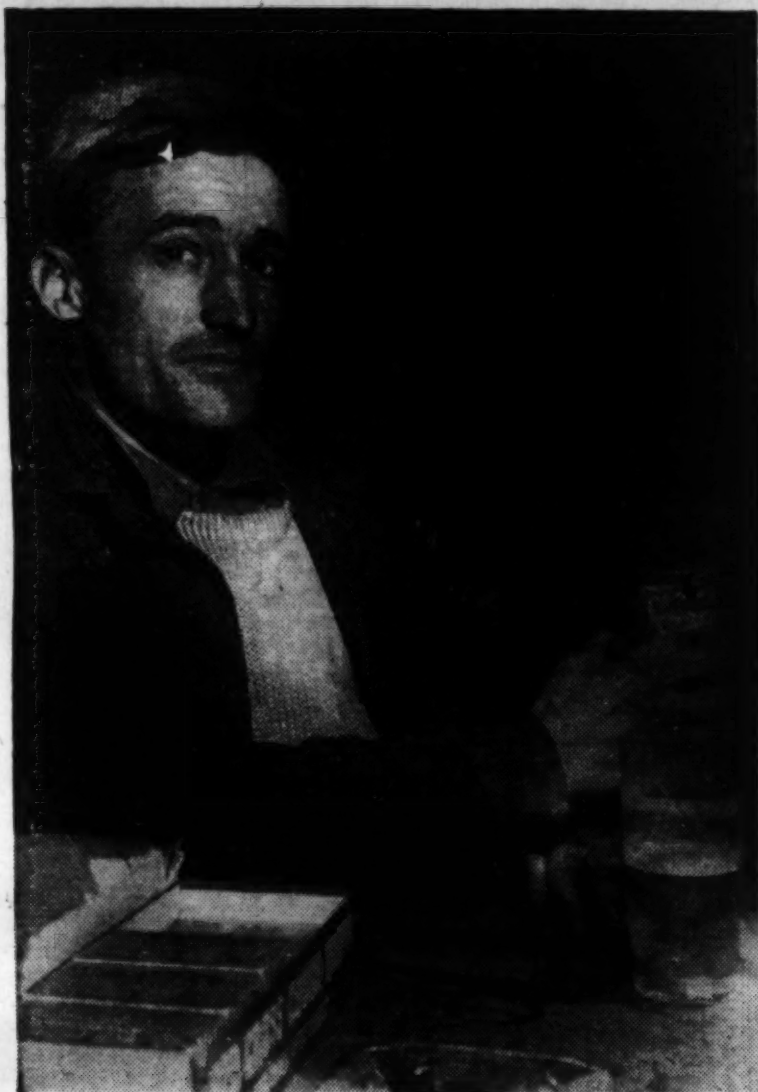
The union's major demands, in addition to the shortened work week, include extension of liberty time from 30 days a year to 52, two weeks' vacation with pay after one year of employment, revision of working rules and improved sanitary conditions.

National Mediator, P. D. Harvey, is now meeting with the carriers and the union in an attempt to avert the strike.

Miners vs. Operators: What Public Isn't Told

By George Morris

The 54-hour week, the unprecedented speed-up, mechanization and the shrinkage of the wage dollar have produced the present coal crisis. Those factors are being aggravated by unsteady work in many bituminous coal areas.



Prepared for Struggle: This miner, drinking beer in a general store in Riversville, W. Va., has a look of calm determination. He had been discussing the strike before this picture was taken. It was a small store with a big name—the Cavalier State Novelty News, Beer Parlor and General Store.

Pepper Cites Strong U. S. Ties with USSR

By Mary Southard

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 29.—Confidence that peace will continue with Russia, "the country with which we have been longest at peace," was expressed by Senator Claude Pepper, in his speech at the opening session here of the fourth convention of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

The convention had moved to the AFL Carpenters Hall because the City Auditorium, where the meeting had originally been scheduled, sought to impose Jimcrow regulations. More than 1,500 white and Negro delegates from all over the south overflowed the hall, with hundreds more unable to get in.

Dr. Clark Foreman, president of SCHW, referred to the fact that signers of the Declaration of Independence had met in Carpenters Hall in Philadelphia after all other meeting places had been refused them.

Senator Pepper outlined a program of action to answer the real needs of southern people, including a 65-cent minimum wage, aid to southern farmers in loans and technological improvements, guarantee of markets and prices, Federal aid to education so that every southern boy and girl will have equal educational opportunity, abolition of the freight differential, Federal aid to small business to break the grip of monopolistic absentee ownership on southern economy and adequate health insurance and old age pensions.

HITS FILIBUSTER

Although he did not attack specifically the wave of lynch terror, Pepper called for enactment of a Federal civil rights bill, including

abolition of the polltax—a law with teeth in it which "would make the punishment fit the crime." He bitterly denounced the filibuster as "vicious perversion of the democratic process."

"Anyone who thinks," said Pepper, "that white people can be prosperous, if colored people are not, just doesn't know economics. The white and colored people will go either up or down together."

In an inspiring address, which brought delegates to their feet applauding, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune challenged them to recapture as "crusaders the philosophy and spirit of Franklin Delano Roosevelt."

Pepper, in indirect though clear reference to Secretary of State Byrnes, assailed fine words about democracy abroad "while the very men who utter them are notorious in their own state and countries for denying them."

Now You See 'Em, Now You Don't

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 29.—Actress Judith Anderson and theatrical producer Luther Green, her husband of a few weeks, were reportedly separated today.

Miss Anderson was en route to New York today, while Green was said by friends to be spending the Thanksgiving holiday in Santa Barbara, Cal.

The record rate of 12,000,000 tons a week, coming out of the nation's coal pits, has brought an increased accident rate, more rapid aging of miners and a deterioration of health in the mining towns.

Conditions in the coal towns were vividly illustrated in the 1,300 resolutions submitted by locals to the recent convention of the United Mine Workers. More than 100 of the locals that submitted resolutions asked for return to the seven-hour day, five-day week, which the union won in 1934. And all are careful to emphasize "at no reduction in weekly pay."

The miners had no change in the wage rate during the war. They earned more only by lengthening of hours. The 54-hour week has virtually become the "regular week."

Typical of the resolutions is one from Local 953, Terre Haute, Ind. It recalls that the increase in hours was agreed to only as a "war emergency," with the understanding that the old hours would return after the war. There is no longer a shortage of coal, "which can be seen inasmuch as hundreds of men are being laid off," the resolution notes, demanding that the "seven-hour, five-day week—this to mean the first five days in the week—with no reduction in pay be the basis of making a contract with the operators."

Tied with the above are an equally large batch of resolutions demanding wage increases. Those come largely from locals whose members are not getting a full 54-hour week, often no more than three of four days a week. This cuts seriously into the \$74 a miner earns in a 54-hour week. He loses the time-and-a-half pay for Saturday of some \$16 or \$17.

The U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that average earnings in bituminous were \$62.37 weekly in August and \$61 in September, from which must be figured considerable deduction, including the cost of some supplies.

On top of all this is the stimulated rate of mechanization. The number of soft coal miners is at an all-time low. A miner who reaches the age of 45 lives in fear of layoff because his return to mining is questionable. And there is no other work to turn to in mine towns.

The great weakness of labor's side in the mine dispute is the fact that the general public knows little of the real issues. The mine union itself has done little to bring its case to the general public or to tell its story in terms of the lives and struggles of a miner's family.

As the matter stands before the millions of newspaper readers and radio listeners, the spotlight is upon John L. Lewis as defier of a government injunction with the miners solidly behind him. The coal operators are hardly in the public picture. Yet it is the coal operators, refusing to recognize the present contract, who have made it necessary for the government to take over the mines.

The operators rely on the government to be the policeman to club down the workers and their union. They would rather the people saw the struggle as one between the government and Lewis. The real struggle is between the coal miners and the operators. In the larger sense it is a struggle between all labor and all capital, with the miners singled out at present for the immediate attack.

If the operators were interested in real bargaining and a solution of the serious problems in the mining town, the dispute would be settled. But the operators, and back of them the steel, automobile, electrical and other major trusts, are thinking only in terms of blocking the next round of wage raises.

An Open Letter to the Ben Davis Birthday Ball Committee

Dear brothers and sisters:

We have been informed that you are holding a celebration of the birthday of the Hon. Benjamin J. Davis, New York City Councilman, on the evening of Saturday, Dec. 7, 1946, at the Golden Gate Ballroom.

The International Workers Order is proud of the splendid record of achievement of citizen and Councilman Ben Davis because those accomplishments are a valuable contribution to the fight for peace, security, democracy and equality in our city, our nation and abroad.



We are especially proud of our Ben because he is a member of the IWO, and his courageous efforts on behalf of interracial unity have been and are an enduring inspiration to all of our 185,000 members.

Our members in this city, you may be sure, will honor and salute Ben on the occasion of his birthday celebration in recognition of his devoted work as a Negro leader and as an elected representative of the people in the City Council who unflinchingly serves the interests of the people and defends them against the attacks of the Jimcrowites, anti-Semites, red-baiters and fascists of all stripes.

It is particularly as a labor fraternal society and an organization of nationality group societies that the IWO appreciates Ben's unflinching fight for the rights of labor, minorities and the common man, regardless of race, creed, color, nationality or political affiliation.

The building of our great, interracial fraternal Order strengthens the people's struggles for the complete victory of democracy over fascism throughout the world. The work of our fraternal brother and outstanding citizen, Ben Davis, strengthens the IWO and all progressive groups.

It is especially appropriate that the celebration of Ben's birthday takes place on Dec. 7, anniversary of Pearl Harbor. The commemoration of Pearl Harbor provides all of us with a solemn moment to rededicate ourselves to the fight for liberty, equality and peace until the full victory is gained.

With fraternal greetings,

May Beaulieu

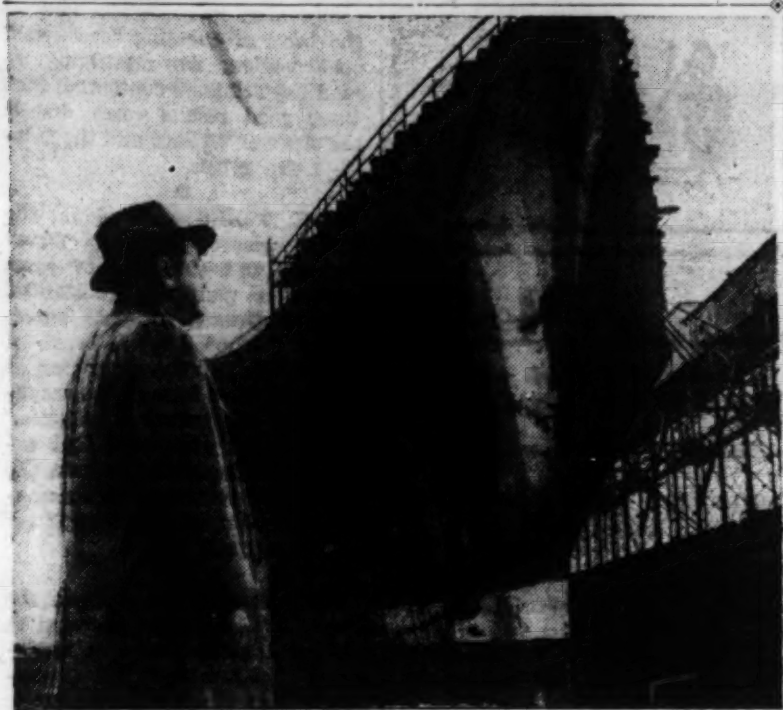
General Secretary.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER

NEW YORK

City Asked to Use 25% Less Electricity

The city faces a "dark holiday" unless it cuts consumption of electricity by 25 percent, warned Commissioner of Purchases Albert Pleydell yesterday at a meeting of the Mayor's Fuel Conservation Committee in the Municipal Building yesterday.



Last Voyage: This man is not admiring the French luxury liner, the Normandie. He's just estimating how much scrap he'll get out of her for the \$165,000 he paid to take her away. The Normandie was gutted by fire in 1942. She's about to take her last voyage now.

The city's present voluntary brown-out is effective, Pleydell said, quoting from a report by L. D. Bonnett, vice-president of Consolidated Edison Co., "but we will have to do better."

The city dimout, Pleydell reported, is saving 75,000 kilowatts per hour. He urged further reductions in store and interior lighting, especially in commercial buildings.

Last week the Civilian Production Administration warned it would invoke a Federal mandatory order when the 15-day limit on existing soft coal supplies had been reached. At the present rate of consumption, New York City will be faced by such a mandatory order by Christmas Day.

WOULD CUT GAS

The Fuel Conservation Committee is also asking for a one-third cut in the use of gas. Gas companies are now getting two-thirds of their normal coke delivery, and they are being urged to switch to hard coal, which is still being mined.

The city has about 150,000 tons of hard coal on hand, insufficient to meet its requirement should the present soft coal strike extend into the anthracite fields.

The city uses 60,000 tons of soft coal daily for all uses, and an additional 30,000 tons are used by the utilities. Consolidated Edison is reported to own 500,000 tons in its Staten Island stockpiles.

Negro Congress Plans Oust Bilbo Campaign

The National Negro Congress this week urged all its Councils to plan mass meetings and other activities during the month of December around the "Oust Bilbo" campaign, and to climax the month by a mobilization in Washington, D. C. when Congress opens.

The opening day of Congress will find delegations from the National Negro Congress visiting Congressmen, urging them to pass immediate anti-lynch legislation.

present their demands before the Mayor's Special Committee on Salary Adjustments, Monday, Dec. 2, in the Municipal Building.

Hear Pay Plea Monday of Cops And Firemen

The spectre of 1943—when the Court of Appeals denied the right of referendum for police and firemen pay rises—is one of the reasons why both groups have joined forces to press their wage fight.

This time, according to spokesmen at the Uniformed Firemen's Association, "we have a good chance of winning." Mayor O'Dwyer, the Board of Estimate and the City Council have all shown a favorable attitude.

The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association and the firemen organized a joint committee last Thursday to

LANDLORD RENT-RAISE BODY BEING PICKETED TODAY

Tenants from all over the city will picket at noon today the office of the Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee, 12 E. 41st St., to protest the proposed 15 percent boost in rents.

The picketline, sponsored by the New York City Consumer Council, will also march through the midtown area to the OPA rent offices at 535 Fifth Ave.

The national OPA is considering a petition by landlord groups for a boost in rents. The Metropolitan Fair Rent Committee is the spokesman for city landlords.

A meeting of citywide organizations will be held Monday night at Wendell Wilkie Hall, 20 W. 40th St.

The meeting, in answer to a call by Alfred K. Stern, treasurer of the Citizens Housing Council, is sponsored by the Urban League of Greater New York, Methodist Federation for Social Service, Greater New York CIO, National Citizens PAC, CIO-PAC, Independent Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, National League of Women Shoppers and New York City Consumer Council.

The New York City Consumer Council has asked Mayor O'Dwyer and Gov. Dewey to set aside a Rent Control Week. Organizations are attempting to reach Congressmen still at home.

Vets Get NMU Gifts

Those long, tedious hours in hospital beds were brightened for 36 Purple Heart veterans and merchant seamen by the CIO National Maritime Union, which presented them each with individual radios.

A letter sent several months ago by the Military Order of the Purple Heart to NMU Treasurer M. Hedley Stone started the ball rolling. The matter was taken up by the NMU national office, which voted to donate \$1,000 for the purchase of the radios. Half of the radios were given to patients in Veterans Hospital Base 81 in the Bronx and the other 18 were scheduled for the hospital on Ellis Island.

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ANTI-RED 'EXPERTS' FEEL PINCH OF HIGH PRICES, AND ORGANIZE!

By Mike Gold

TODAY'S CRISIS of runaway prices effects everyone. Even cockroaches and rats must suffer, probably, since when there is less food in the American home, there will be fewer pickings for little vermin.

If humble rats and roaches of America begin to feel the pinch, why not a Louis Budenz or Eugene Lyons? These guys must live, too, maybe.

Certainly, they eat, wear clothes, live in apartments, and have other expenses to meet. Some of them have cars to support, others keep blondes, psychoanalysts, etc. Others even are family men, with milk coat wives.



One of my best informants has just informed me that these anti-Communist "experts" are trying to organize themselves into a trade union.

"IT TAKES YEARS to become a skilled worker in this new profession," complained one of the witnesses. "A man has to go through the Communist movement, study Marx, lead strikes, work his way up through years of danger and sincerity. For such a difficult role, what low wages are paid! Nobody ever made a million dollars being a Communist."

"It involves terrible wear and tear on the nervous system. I myself had to lead a double life for almost 10 years. While writing articles against the politics of the Pope, and against clerical fascism, for example, I was at the same time scheming with the enemy, and fixing myself up with them in my future career as witness."

"This is highly skilled work, and certainly not everyone can do it. We want to be recognized with better wages, social security, and the other solid things every other skilled worker demands."

"Where would the American way of life be if we all went on strike and stopped testifying?" asked the witness defiantly.

"OH, YOU WOULDN'T do that!" my agent exclaimed, as though wounded to the heart. "That would cause anarchy!"

"We can't help that," said another witness rather impatiently. "Yeah, they give us lots of free publicity when we first come over to the American Way. They put our picture in all the papers, tell about our background, pay us all the honors they have."

"But will the A & P fill your basket with groceries in exchange for a big hunk of such honor and publicity? No, indeed. It may be

romantic, but it doesn't pay the rent. Newspapermen used to be buttered up by the publishers with the same sort of romance, but they formed a trade union, and have been eating a lot better since!"

"We intend to ask for pensions, too," snarled a professional type, a spindling witness with little goatee all aflutter. "In this profession of anti-Red witnessing, nobody remains a hero more than a few years."

"MR. HEARST has a short and fickle memory. He sucks you like a lemon. Where is Ben Gitlow today? Where is the celebrated Alex Smith, a Russian worker who went back and was disillusioned in 10 big installments?"

"Louis Fischer is making big money now; you hear him expiring and witnessing about Russia on every radio, in every magazine. But like a baseball player's legs, how long can his mouth muscles continue functioning at their present rate? Bilbo's mouth finally gave out; why not Fischer's? And then, how will Fischer manage to live? See what I mean, Bud?"

"I keep thinking of poor Gen. Krivitsky," spoke a mournful witness, an aged philosopher who had contracted a hernia while on a visit to Russia, and never forgave Communism afterward. "The general needed a trade union."

"INTERLOPERS keep pushing in, too, bitterly charged still another witness. "Look at this suspicious character John Roy Carlson, and his phony testimony. Rank amateurism! But he knows how to make it pay, he and his dubious years spent editing fascist, anti-Semitic sheets!"

"We will keep out known fascists from our union," said a witness. "After all, we have ethics, too!"

"Hour after hour like in a coal mine, testifying, testifying!" groaned an author with big horn glasses and the ruby nose of a Village souse. "It's such badly written stuff, too! Repetitious, and dull! That stupid Isaac Don Levine!"

"I keep thinking of Gen. Krivitsky!" mumbled the old weary philosopher. "One week a hero in the Saturday Evening Post, the next week washing dishes in a beanery!"

"And after all he did to keep the American people satisfied with dollar butter and Sen. Bilbo!" said the author. "Yes, Republicans are ungrateful, and 30 pieces of silver don't last a lifetime!"



A Sad Christmas: Dying of throat cancer, Andy Painter, Detroit, Mich., celebrates his eighth birthday and Christmas at the same time after doctors had told his parents there was little chance of Andy enjoying the real Christmas.

PESTBROOK WIGLER, ROVING REPORTER



"Then when things were looking blackest, Tom Clark got a swell idea. Let's clean the Communists out of the government," he says."

Let's Face It

THE NEW WITCH-HUNT

by Max Gordon

THE ANTI-COMMUNIST witch-hunt program advanced early this week by Rep. J. Parnell Thomas, who will become chairman of the Dies-Rankin Un-American Committee in the new Congress, cannot be regarded simply as a continuation of the past work of that Committee.

It is an inseparable part of the over-all program of reaction the Republican leaders of Congress have in view.

The shrewder Republican leaders realize there are limits to their program beyond which it is unsafe for them to go if they are to win the elections of 1948.

But they do not view the situation as static. They see their problem as one in which they must actively promote conditions that will allow them to put over their reactionary program to the greatest degree possible, and still win the presidential elections.

They hope to do this in at least two ways: first, by creating the atmosphere in the country which will make the people more willing to accept a reactionary, anti-labor program; and second, by crippling those organizations that will rally the people against them in 1948 on the basis of their reactionary record.

THE WITCH-HUNT program of Rep. J. Parnell Thomas is designed to do both of those things. Under cover of the anti-Communist hysteria which the Committee proposes to develop, the Republicans figure they will be able to make their reactionary measures more acceptable to the people. And in directing the Committee's fire at the CIO and its progressive program, they hope to put the kibosh on the organization they fear most, the CIO-PAC.

I doubt whether it was only coincidence that led Rep. Thomas to publish his program soon after the CIO national convention adjourned. Failure of the red-baiters at that convention to put their aims across doubtless provoked him into releasing it.

Had the red-baiters succeeded, the major obstacle to the Republican program of reaction would have been removed. The CIO would have been seriously disrupted from within and removed as an effective base for progress, if not destroyed altogether.

Reaction knew this well in advance, of course. It concentrated all its fire on the convention, and especially on CIO President

Philip Murray, for many weeks before it opened in the effort to disrupt it.

The fight is, of course, by no means over. It never is until monopoly capital itself is destroyed. Already, some of the local unions are trying to take advantage of the one concession gained by the red-baiters—the resolution to "resent and reject efforts of the Communist Party or other political groups . . . to interfere in the affairs of the CIO." They are attempting to use the resolution against progressive leaders whom Social Democrats and other reactionaries label Communists, whether or not they are.

THEY CAN DO THIS only by completely distorting the words of the resolution, by ignoring Murray's strict warning that it was not to be used to repress anybody and by ignoring, as well, the fact that the CIO convention itself elected known Communists to its leadership.

The distortion is obvious. First, you cannot "interfere" in the affairs of an organization in which you take part. The "interference" obviously refers to the outside. If there were any evidence of such outside interference from Communists, you may be sure it would have been plastered all over the front pages of the press.

Second, the resolution equally applies to the Republican, Democratic, Socialist and all other political parties. If it were to be interpreted that members of any of these parties could not hold office, who would be eligible?

These logical arguments do not, of course, hold much water with reactionaries. The important thing is to recognize that this red-baiting drive is part of the campaign of Republican reaction to put over its program in the present Congress and to win the elections of 1948. If that is grasped, then all foes of GOP reaction will unite against it.

WORTH REPEATING

Karl Marx writing of economic crises said: "The last cause of all real crises always remain the poverty and restricted consumption of the masses as compared to the tendency of capitalist production to develop the productive forces in such a way, that only the absolute power of consumption of the entire society would be their limit." Capital, Vol. 3, Page 568, Charles H. Kerr Co.

Press Roundup

Trib and Times Applaud Pact On Trieste

THE HERALD TRIBUNE terms the Big Four agreement on Trieste a "really major compromise of the peacemaking . . . and it inspires for the first time in many months a real hope that the satellite treaties, at least, can now be written, accepted and cleared away." Since agreement resulted from compromise on both sides and on the basis of enabling "east-west" collaboration, it's mystifying to read the **Tribune's** contention that these good results came despite the views of Wallace and the British Labor rebels.

THE TIMES also views the Trieste accord, the troop survey decision and the Molotov arms inspection plan as "substantial progress toward ultimate agreement." It hopes for a break of the deadlock on the atom plan as "the first step toward the establishment of general confidence." . . . But we would add that everybody's confidence would be measurably increased if we stopped stockpiling and preparing for atomic warfare.

PM's Max Lerner suspects the President's purge of subversives will be used by Congress to demand "not loyalty to the Constitution and the basic democratic ideas, but loyalty to capitalist economic power." Commenting on the Molotov proposal for disarmament and atomic controls, Lerner says, "Once more the Americans in the UN have let themselves be outmaneuvered, and have allowed the Russians to take the initiative." Regarding the Scottorriggio case he says the District Attorney "is on a fishing expedition" and he should "fish or cut bait."

THE POST'S Leonard Lyons reports a Concert Hall Society secretary called the Soviet Embassy and asked for Serge Prokofiev's address. "We want to send him the first album of our recording of his string quartet," said the secretary. . . . "Just address it Prokofiev, Moscow," said the Embassy employee. . . . "But will the postman know without a street address?" asked the caller. . . . "In Moscow," said the Soviet Embassy employee, "the postman knows not only Prokofiev's address but also the names of all his compositions."

THE SUN'S David Lawrence says "the so-called rights of labor now have come into jeopardy." What he means by real rights of labor is for one individual worker to quit work. What he attacks is "the so-called right of two or more individuals" to take economic action to protect their livelihood. That's violence, he says.

Editorially, the **Sun** states, "Thanksgiving at Lake Success was a day of progress. If on the broad lines laid down in the Molotov speech, a really effective disarmament program can be obtained, this will prove to have been a day the world will remember with gratitude."

THE WORLD - TELEGRAM'S William Philip Simms says Russia is just making a "grandstand play for disarmament."

THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN praises the U.S. delegates at UN for saying we'll take, arm, and place an iron curtain around the islands even "in the absence of complete approval by the United Nations."

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No Retreat on Rents

JUDGING from Washington reports, it looks as if the well-known Truman formula is going to be applied to the rent control situation.

According to this formula, you appease the Big Money boys when they begin to put the screws on by going along part way with them. This softens up the country for a complete surrender later.

And so, within the next week or so, the administration is expected to propose a 5 to 10 percent increase in rents. The real estate lobby has been asking for 15 percent.

The administration concession will not only whet the appetites of the landlord crowd, whose real aim is the scuttling of rent controls altogether, but will dishearten and confuse the people, upon whose support the whole rent control structure depends.

The same thing happened with price controls in other fields. When in the midst of the Congress fight to retain price control last summer, the OPA began to give price concessions to industry in all directions, it became much tougher to rally the people in support of OPA. There was a widespread attitude of hopelessness because of the feeling that OPA was caving in anyway.

There should be no such retreat in the battle for rent controls. The line has to be held at present levels or we face the danger of a complete collapse, with all that will mean to living standards and to the national economy.

Picket lines, such as are being conducted today by the New York Consumer Council before the real estate lobby offices and OPA rent control headquarters, should be set up everywhere. Mass meetings, petitions, post cards, house meetings and other forms of demonstrative action should be taken all over, with pressure directed at Truman and the OPA against any rent increases.

Agreement at UN

TO THE "let's-go-and-fight" boys who clutter up the newspapers with war propaganda, the latest developments at the UN must be somewhat disheartening.

On some of the biggest points of contention, agreement is beginning to appear.

The Soviet delegates have dramatically given proof of a desire for settlement. On such big issues as Trieste and the Danube River, they have made large concessions which cannot fail to impress any honest man that they are more than willing to meet us half way, even more than half way.

Furthermore, on the atombomb and disarmament proposals, the Soviet delegation, while understandably sticking to the principle of unanimity in all big power decisions, has agreed to the U.S.-British insistence on a "system of inspection."

What more can any reasonable person expect them to do to show their sincere desire for a post-war settlement?

When are we going to start making some concessions on our side of the fence?

Could we not for example, admit that the atombomb is really a war weapon and therefore should be included in any disarmament plan?

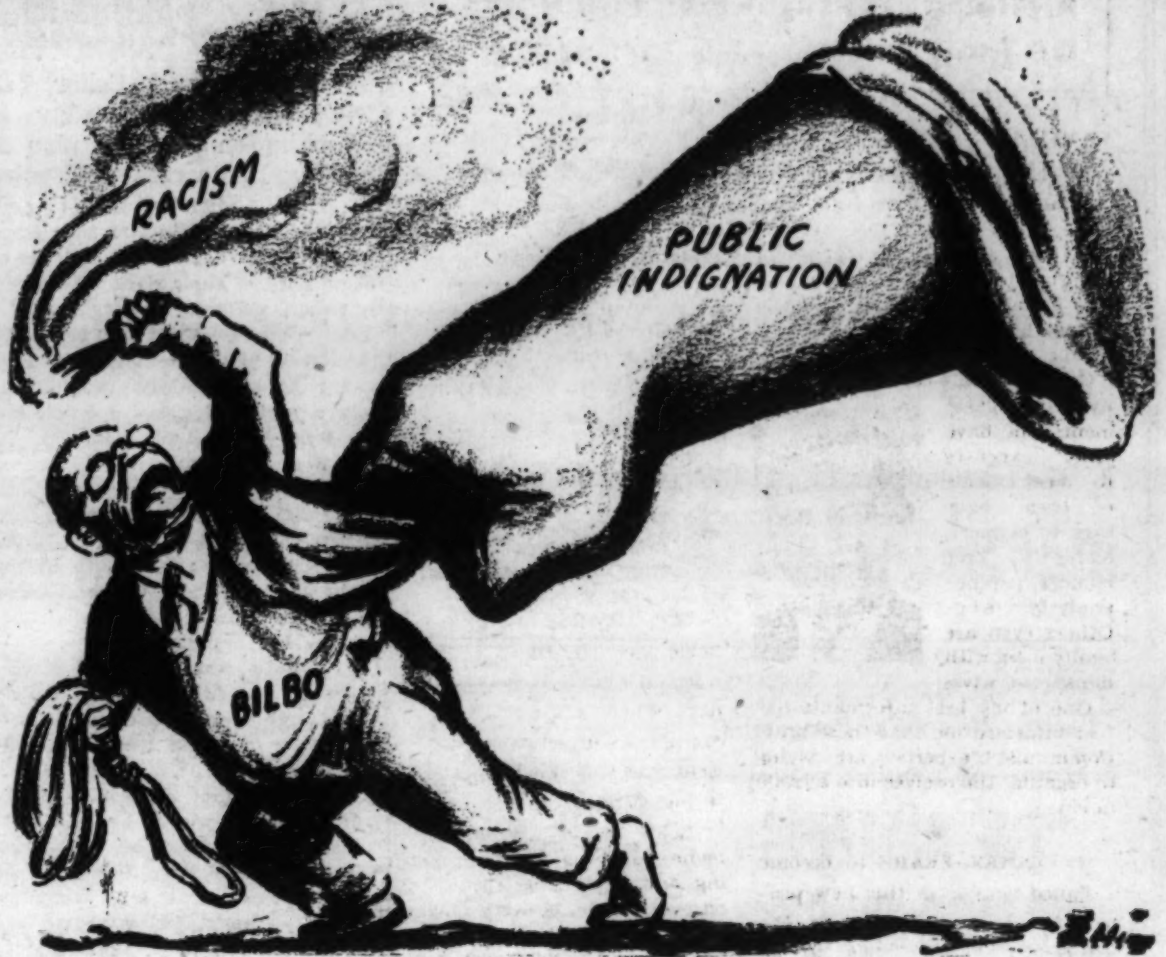
Could we not, perhaps, indicate that we might stop grabbing off far-away island bases which are in the back-door areas of Asia and the Soviet Union, on the pretty flimsy excuse that we need them for "defense"?

Or, how about our little scheme to force all of Latin America into military unification schemes with us, making us their military bosses? Or our curious demand that we'll accept UN trusteeship of certain islands only if we can get the right to fortify them without anyone's knowing about it?

American public opinion has witnessed remarkable concessions by the Soviet delegates which belie all the false propaganda that the Soviet Union is "stubborn" and is blocking a peace settlement.

Now, how about our delegation beginning to show a similar stand? We're sure that public opinion would like to see that, and peace signed.

CATCHING UP WITH HIM



Letters From Our Readers

On Max Lerner's
PM Articles

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

PM argues for civil rights for Communists but on grounds which would also lead PM to argue for civil rights for fascists. The "logic" of PM's position leads it to conclude that civil rights means the right to undermine democracy and propagate anti-Semitism, Jimcrowsism, etc.

As we approach 1947, PM still projects the shibboleth that the Communists' philosophy is "alien" doctrine. On this basis, in 1860, PM would have argued that abolitionism was alien doctrine. On this basis, in 1946, imperialism is okay because it is native doctrine.

On the question of "criticism" of Communists, PM deliberately shuts its eyes to the truth that 90 percent of the so-called "criticism of Communists" is but a mask for attacking the labor movement. Max Lerner proves that he is not defending a bona fide right to criticize Communists by raising the demand that Communists stay within the Communist Party. This means simply that Communists have no right in the labor movement, that Communists have no right in a People's Front against fascism.

Lerner speaks of a "third choice" as against the alternatives of uniting either with Communists or Fascists. The argument of a specious third choice is based on the canard that Communists demand a united front on the basis of a single-party system, that party being the Communist Party. PM and Mr. Lerner know that is a lie.

Once you start trying to drive the Communists out of the democratic life of a nation, you've got to lie. If you stick to telling the people the truth about the Communists, you can't drive them out of the nation's democratic life.

So if your aim is to isolate the Communists, you begin by lying.

Just imagine what PM's position would be in France today if PM were a French newspaper. France has taken the road of the third choice, but the Communists are not only marching on that road with the whole French people; they are in the leadership.

EUGENE KONECKY

Seaman's Notebook

THE COMPANY STIFF

By Herb Tank

SLIM CAME INTO the messroom for coffee. "The Mate," he said slowly to nobody in particular, "the Mate is a company stiff. This morning he was out on deck before

breakfast tightening the turn-buckles on the deck cargo. They didn't need tightening. He just wanted the 'Old Man' to see that he is a hustler."

"Yeh," said the Bos'un, "always worrying that guy is. Always worrying that somebody might make a nickel overtime. Somebody should tell him Export Line has got lots of dough."

"They should have!" growled Heavy. "They got their pound of flesh off me."

The Bos'un went on: "Tomorrow the Mate wants us to paint the booms. It will break his heart if it rains."

"Yeh? Well I hope it rains," said the Ordinary Seaman.



SLIM SAT down with his coffee. "I bet some of these company stiffs have a big Export Line 'E' tattooed on their backsides. If their pants ever dropped it would look like the company's house flag."

In a few of the shipping companies the officers, the mates and engineers, don't belong to bona-fide unions. American Export Lines is one of them. In this outfit they have some sort of a company union setup. Slim calls it "Export Line's Mystic Knights of the Sea." During the strike of the Masters, Mates, and Pilots and the Marine Engineers they didn't go out.

Company unions breed company stiffs. And a company stiff is a pretty sad character. But it's not hard to understand what makes some guys into company stiffs. You take a guy that has been bulldozed ever since he was a kid about free enterprise and "getting ahead," and then you convince him that he is a little smarter or a little tougher than the next fellow, or maybe just destined to be more successful.

THE FIRST THING you know he is "hooray-for-me and to-hell-with-the-next-guy." A regular rugged individualist. Then some company grabs hold of him

and treats him like a son. Company loyalty, they convince him, pays off. He has got a lot of possibilities, they tell him, because he is not like "those ungrateful radical bums in the foc'sle." Then he is hooked.

He may even have been a pretty regular guy in the beginning. He may even have had some Christian ethics. But he soon gets over that "all men are brothers stuff." He becomes worldly wise and "practical." In short: he becomes a company stiff.

A company stiff is a schemer. He is always trying to get an advantage over his fellow human beings. That's why company stiffs never trust each other. One is always spying on the other. But a company stiff is not a big-time schemer. They just stooge for the big-time operators.

A company stiff is a small time operator looking for his master. And the company is his master. For the company he will scheme, sweat, and slave, and try to drive others to slave. What's in it for him? The droppings. And maybe a pat on the back from the company's Port Captain, and the promise that if he keeps it up he may get another guy's job. And along with that he earns the bitter hatred of his fellow men.

I DON'T BELIEVE that some men are born company stiffs any more than I believe that race-haters and stormtroopers are born that way. Race-haters, stormtroopers and company stiffs are made. They are born of capitalism, and they are her favorite sons. They are the products of a world out of joint.

Somewhere along the way they have been convinced that there is security in cutting themselves off from their fellow human beings and tying themselves to inhuman monopolies. They are twisted people and afraid of struggle. In the battle between the people and the monopolies they are siding with the monopolies.

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Rep. Emanuel Celler (D-NY) declared yesterday in Washington that the plan of polltax Democrats to deprive Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP-NY) of his seat in the 80th Congress would "deprive the citizens of New York of their right of choice."

Celler, a Roosevelt supporter for many years, declared that the move sponsored by the notorious Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss) would "apply a sort of legislative lynch law to Rep. Marcantonio." He said he believed the House would defeat Rankin's move.

Rankin is behind the move, Rep. Celler charged, because of his anger at Marcantonio's leadership in the fight against the polltax and other measures which the southern race-inciter has opposed.

"Rankin would punish Marcantonio for his opinions," Celler said. "It would be a sad commentary upon our much vaunted democracy if Marcantonio . . . were kept from his seat because of opinions opposed by Rankin."

Celler said that he was sure Marcantonio deplored the death of one of Frederick Bryan's campaign workers—Joseph Scottoriggio.

From labor sources, more support continued to rally to Marcantonio. The secretary of the National Maritime Union, CIO, Ferdinand Smith, yesterday charged that a "vicious smear campaign" was in progress "to thwart the will of the voters."

Smith demanded that the slayers of Scottoriggio be brought to "speedy justice."

The City Committee of the International Workers Order yesterday demanded of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey that he put an end to the inspired smear against Marcantonio and get busy finding "those who are really guilty of the brutal death" of Scottoriggio.

Byelorussia Minister At Rally Tomorrow

The Soviet people's rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts in the Byelorussian Soviet Republic, will be described by Kuzma V. Kiselev, the Byelorussian Foreign Minister, at a "Report on Minsk" rally tomorrow (Sunday), Dec. 1, at 1 p.m., in Manhattan Center, 34 St. near Eighth Ave. Mr. Kiselev is now attending the United Nations sessions at Lake Success as the chairman of the Byelorussian delegation.

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Morgan Hull, Coast CP Leader, Dies

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was Guild international representative assigned to head the first two strikes against Hearst, in Milwaukee and then in Seattle. Both were won decisively and broke the back of Hearst resistance to the Guild.

In the Hollywood Citizen-News strike, in 1938, the winning of which was the culminating factor in the political clean-up of Los Angeles, the recall of corrupt Mayor Frank Shaw and the elimination for many years of the anti-labor red squad, Hull played a leading role as the Guild's international representative.

Within a few months he was assigned to the Guild strike at Monroe, La., where, presaging the present CIO organizing drive, he helped mobilize citizens and farmers in behalf of a struggling union isolated 100 miles from another CIO affiliate. He forced the first application of Louisiana labor laws in behalf of labor.

He joined the national staff of the CIO, assigned to the International Oil Workers Union, to or-

CP Board Mourns

Loss of Morgan Hull

On behalf of the Communist Party's National Board, the following telegram was sent to Dorothy Healey, Secretary of the Communist Party of Los Angeles:

"The untimely death of Comrade Morgan Hull, Los Angeles labor secretary, is a great loss to our party and its progressive labor movement. He was among the younger trade unionists who made great contributions to building the Newspaper Guild nationally and developed to a position of leadership in our party. His contributions to the California labor movement will remain a living monument to his memory. Express the heartfelt sympathies of the national board to the Los Angeles membership and to Comrade Hull's bereaved family. We urge all comrades to pledge in solemn determination to continue his work with his spirit of selfless devotion and sacrifice."

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ganize Standard Oil nationally, and led the successful drive which enrolled 6,500 oil workers at Richmond and El Segundo, Cal., into the union.

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In 1934 he voluntarily left the Oil Workers' staff to become chairman of the Communist Party in San Diego, Cal., where he helped build the party there to its greatest strength in the difficult war period. In 1945 he became labor secretary of the Communist Party of Los Angeles, realizing, as he often told friends, a long-time ambition to take a direct part in the leadership of the Communist movement.

Hull's political development was consummated when as a reporter for commercial papers in Los Angeles in early depression days he witnessed and wrote about, in scathing terms, the police assaults against demonstrations for relief and jobs.

"Morgan Hull's death is a grievous blow, but he leaves behind him literally scores of persons throughout California and the nation whose political understanding he helped sharpen so that they may follow in the path he laid out," said a statement issued by the Communist Party secretariat in Los Angeles, over the signature of N. Sparks, chairman, and Dorothy Healey, secretary.

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In a wire to the President, Roosevelt said: "In obtaining over 800,000 starts in veterans' housing Wilson Wyatt has demonstrated that his program is the best hope for homeless veterans. . . . I urge you to back up Wyatt and maintain his program intact, particularly those phases dealing with expanded prefabricated production and the new program underwriting rental housing 100 percent."

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A Few Words From
Famed Bowler

By Bill Mardo

ANDY VARIPAPA'S name is legend to any bowling fan. The short stocky pro is one of America's top alley-artists and he gets the same magic from a bowling ball and ten pins that Willie Hoppe does with his cue-stick and infinitely lighter billiard balls.

Born in Italy, Andy came here when he was a skinny nine-year-old. He was a natural athlete but strangely enough his competitive urge had little to do with bowling. He boxed professionally as a lightweight for two years, using the name of Andy Bell. He also sparked the Bay Ridge AC nine at shortstop. And he'd still rather talk baseball than bowling. When we asked him whom he rated the best shortstop in the majors today, his face lit up as he shot back: "Phil Rizutto. Good friend of mine, too. Phil bowled at my alley a couple of years ago."

Andy didn't take bowling too seriously until 1930 when friends finally convinced him he was wasting a superb talent which hitherto he had only chosen to display in the bowling alley around the corner. But when Varipapa did enter the big-time he created a sensation. His opening season as a pro kegler saw him establish a record which still stands unchallenged. In a seven-game match, Andy racked up a phenomenal 260 average. His individual scores in that tourney were: 256, 245, 257, 279, 279, and 214.

Andy points with considerable pride to his record 14-year average in the American Bowling Congress tourneys—a neat 292. Those of you who bowl for fun know how much sweat and anguish it takes to break 100. So you surely can appreciate what it means to rack up a perfect 300 game—requiring a strike on every throw. Now mull this over. Varipapa has scored 51 perfect games during his professional career!

We naively observed that pressure must be terrific on a bowler approaching a 300-game. Andy concurred: "That pressure increases with each throw. And the ball gets heavier and heavier."

Andy's Toughest Match

What was Varipapa's toughest match?

"I once played a Texan, Nelson Burton, an 80-game match. Forty games in New York and 40 in Dallas. Well, Burton was leading me by some 129 pins after the first three nights of play. The guy was hot and it looked bad for me. But on the fourth night I began to hit my stride and beat him 328 pins in 10 games. When we resumed in Dallas I kept right on rolling and walked away with the match with a lead of 1,046."

Andy has this bit of advice for the novice.

"Firstly, learn the game from an expert. Because if you acquire bad form at the start, it's hard to shake it off. Use a properly fitted ball, and always wear regular bowling shoes."

"Only concentrated practice will make a good bowler out of a beginner. The best time to practice is when you're not in competition, with anyone else. That way, you can concentrate on your form and not the score."

Andy reminded us not to overlook the value of bowling as a body builder. "If properly played, bowling is one of the most beneficial exercises of all . . . and not nearly as strenuous as it seems to the onlooker."

Jimcrow Mars Mass Sports

NO DOUBT that bowling is the biggest mass sport in America. The reasons are obvious. It requires no particular skill of the beginner other than a good eye and strong arm. As Varipapa points out, the other little tricks of the game come with practice. You can play it by yourself, with one friend, or twenty. It takes no expensive equipment on the part of the bowler. Sneakers are rented for a nominal fee, usually a dime, and the other expense is purely for the game and tips. True, if you want to spend a full evening at it, it does run into money, but then again, what doesn't in this particular day and age? One saving feature of the financial angle is that an average bowler is usually content to call it quits for the night after three or four games—and that sets him back about \$1.60.

SO MUCH FOR THAT. Only one rub to the great game of bowling. The American Bowling Congress, the official rule-making body and tournament controlling agency, is strictly a jimcrow outfit with a notorious "for whites only" clause which bars Negroes from tournament play. It will take an energetic, consistent campaign from the progressive movement to score a strike against the nauseating Hitler hangover in this sport. Such a campaign was started by the Communist Party in Buffalo last winter, created a nation-wide storm of protest, but lacked the never let-up drive needed to really blast jimcrow from the bowling alleys.

It's high time progressives everywhere did a thorough job on the jimcrow moguls of the American Bowling Congress. For bowling belongs to the people—ALL the people.

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Navy to Bear Brunt of Doc-Davis Finale Today

Army's great touchdown twins and one of the finest duos in football history, will say so-long today before a capacity crowd at Municipal Stadium in Philadelphia. That would be Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis, of course. This is the finale to an awe-inspir-



BABE RUTH: Baseball's greatest home-run king is shown bedded at French Hospital in New York, while the medics check on the cause of the ol' swatter's persistent headaches.

The 'Daily' Roundup

CCNY Tuneup Tonite

In another tune-up game before opening at Madison Square Garden against the University of Idaho on Tuesday, City College's basketball team, seeking its second victory in

two starts, will meet American University of Washington, D. C., in the Beaver gymnasium at 8:30 p.m. to-night.

Coach Nat Holman, pleased with the performance of his squad in triumphing over Upsala College, last week, plans to start the same quintet of Paul Schmones and Sid Trubowitz, at forwards; Phil Farbman at center, and Lionel Malamed and Hilly Shapiro at guards.

Holman, well stocked with reserve material, also intends to rely on Negro star Sonny Jameson, Irwin Dambrot, and Joe Galiber, who have been fighting for starting berths.

American University is paced by Bart Fugler, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania.

Howie Dallmar, All-America court ace from the University of Pennsylvania and Stanford, tonight leads the powerful Philadelphia Warriors against the New York Knickerbockers here at the 69th Regiment Armory.

The first-place Knicks engage one of their strongest rivals for the Eastern Division title in the Basketball

Association of America. The Warriors are a tremendous combination of former collegiate stars, most of them well known to local fans.

The Warriors' leading scorer isn't Dallmar, incidentally. He's Joe Fuls who got his early basketball training at Murray State Teachers College. Coaches insist Fuls is the best all-around player in the BAA.

Also with the Warriors are: Art Hillhouse, Jerry Fleishman, Fred Sheffield, George Senesky and Angelo Musi.

University of California football players are asking a "living wage" of \$75 a month and the outright firing of coach Frank Wickhorst and his assistants as a result of the Golden Bears' worst season in history.

The players' new demands followed action by more than 2,600 students who called for a shakeup of the entire athletic regime to restore California to the national football prominence its "wonder teams" enjoyed two decades ago.

The crowd of some 103,000 expect a whale of a farewell performance from Blanchard and Davis—and against a woefully weak Navy crew the likelihood is that they'll see it, too. Another reason to anticipate one of the best Davis-Blanchard acts yet is the fact that a loss for the Army today would take away their share of the mythical national championship.

It was Blanchard and Davis who sparked the Cadets to their 1944 and 1945 victories over Navy. Each game was a tough one that wasn't settled until the final quarter although the scores 32 to 12 last year and 23 to 7 the season before—did not reflect the closeness of the struggles.

Not since Navy turned the trick in 1943 with a 13 to 0 victory at West Point, has Army known defeat on the gridiron and should those Midshipmen rise in wrath tomorrow to defeat the Cadets it would rank as one of the greatest upsets in gridiron history.

Navy, of course, will be shooting the works trying to make up for the seven consecutive defeats—the most in a row in Annapolis history—that has come its way since an opening game 7 to 0 triumph over Villanova.

Army will be at full strength for this grand finale with UG Fuson, who was missed so much in the Notre Dame tie, ready to go after being out for nearly four weeks with a shoulder separation. Navy will be handicapped by the loss of two of its better backs—Joe Bartos and Al McCully—and injuries to a number of others who probably will see only limited service.

Other important games in today's windup to the regular football season include the Rose Bowl entries from UCLA against Nebraska; Notre Dame against the potential "upsetters" from the University of Southern California; Mississippi State vs. Alabama; strong Boston College and Holy Cross; Tennessee against Vanderbilt.

Contest Entries Start Rolling with Enos, Ted

"72 Central St.,
Peabody, Mass.

"Dear Sirs:

"I think the top sports event in 1946 was in the World Series. It was the seventh game of the series. Dave Ferriss was to pitch for the Boston Red Sox, and Murray Dickson was to pitch for the St. Louis Cardinals. After eight innings the score was Boston 1, St. Louis 3.

"In the first of the eighth, Dom DiMaggio of Boston hit a two-run double, but that was all of the scoring. In the last of the eighth, Enos Slaughter hit a single. The next two made outs, but Harry Walker hit a double. Everybody thought that Enos Slaughter would stop at third with two outs, but he started with the pitch and did not stop until he got home. The Red Sox could not get another run off of Harry 'The Cat' Brecheen, who went in when Dickson gave two runs.

"I think that Enos Slaughter's base running was the best thing I have heard of in a long time. I think this was the top sports event in 1946.

"HASKELL ALBERT—Age 12."

Here is the first batch of entries in the "Best Sports Feat of 1946" contest. Rules for our contest are simple. No more than 200 words, and your essay date-marked no later than Dec. 25. Prizes will be awarded to the five best letters. Judges are Mike Gild, Samuel Sillen, Rodney and Mardo.

"2486 Bronx Park East,
New York 67,
Nov. 29, 1946.

"Dear Sirs:

"I am sure that fans will never forget the amazing exhibition of power which was put on by the American League All-Stars at Fenway Park on July 9, 1946. It kind of reminded me of the hitting Yankees of Babe Ruth's days, with Ted Williams appearing as the Babe.

"It was just as dangerous to hit to the Splendid Splinter on this day as it was to hurl to Ruth in his days, and who could tell you that better than Kirby Higbe and Rip Sewell, who saw Ted blast their offerings for the tremendous homers. The first four-bagger was the 400-foot drive which

Higbe gave up, and this impressed the Hub fans very much, but then when Sewell let go with his 'blooper' pitch and Thumping Ted cabled it to the bleachers. Well, you should have seen Fenway Park then.

"Williams, in the same game, smashed two more base hits and came out of the game with a perfect average. He hit for 10 bases and batted in five runs. If this isn't the top sports feat of the year, then I would like to know what is.

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BOOKS — FILMS — THE ARTS

'Best Years of Our Lives'
Is Best Film of the Year

By David Platt

The Best Years of Our Lives is three hours long and cost three million to make but it's worth every minute and every dollar expended on it. The highest praise that can be given this stirring story of three returned war vets trying to readjust themselves to civilian life is that it makes distinguished drama out of the ordinary day to day doings of average people.

Best Years not only looks and feels like it was shot in America, but it says things — not in thunderous tones but quietly, incidentally and just as effectively—that have something to do with what is going on in this country of ours.

It says that the returning war vets who gave the best years of their lives in the fight against the Nazis deserve a better break than they have been getting since V-Day. The film hits the unfaithful war wife, the profiteer, the crackpot fascist and warmonger.

Above all it captures the documentary flavor of life as it is in America.

WEALTH OF DETAIL

William Wyler, director and Gregg Toland, photographer, have thrown a powerful spotlight revealing a brilliant wealth of detail in the scenes in Butch's beer saloon, the Mid-way Drug Store, the Corn-belt Bank, the Union Club, the Lucia restaurant, the Embassy night-club, and the scenes inside the homes of the vets.

At long last, a film has come out of Hollywood with some genuine character development and a high degree of atmosphere. The film moves at just the right tempo to permit the spectator to get a good, long draught of scenery and a good, long look at the people in the story.

And the people in Best Years—they represent a cross section of the



FREDRIC MARCH

land—are well worth knowing. People like Al, Milly, Fred, Peggy, Wilma and Butch come across the screen as solid as the people you meet everyday on the street and across the way and at work. Outstanding among them is Homer Parrish, a seaman who lost his hands when his ship was bombed in the Pacific.

The film handles this disabled-vet case with rare sensitivity.

What emerges is a highly constructive portrait of an ex-soldier who has learned to use hook-like devices to open doors, light cigarettes, hold a glass, play the piano. Homer's love affair with his childhood sweetheart is one of the most poignant things in the film. This role is played from life by Harold Russell, who served with parachute

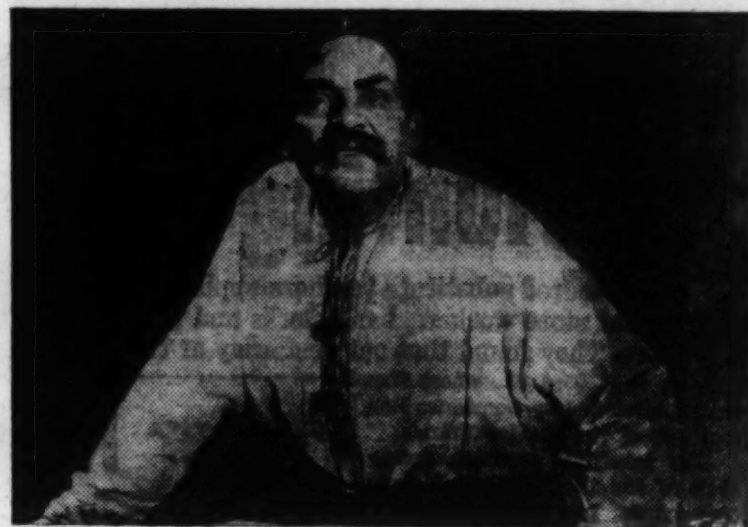
The Best Years Of Our Lives now playing at the Astor Theatre. Produced by Samuel Goldwyn. Directed by William Wyler. Screenplay by Robert E. Sherwood. From the novel 'Glory For Me' by MacKinlay Kantor. Cast includes Fredric March, Dana Andrews, Teresa Wright, Harold Russell, Hoagy Carmichael, Cathy O'Donnell, Roman Bohnen, Gladys George.

troops until June, 1944. On D-Day a charge of dynamite exploded in his face while he was fixing a fuse.

On regaining consciousness, he found both his arms had been amputated to the elbow. In the months that followed, Russell struggled hard to overcome his disability. He learned how to use hooks operated by small motions of the arms and shoulders. He achieved such proficiency that the Army Signal Corps produced a film about him for showing to other disabled men. It resulted in his landing the part of Homer in Best Years. William Wyler called him the best natural actor he had seen in years. Homer's experiences in the film are patterned after Russell's own life.

In addition to Russell's remarkable work in Best Years, mention should be made of the superb acting performances — the best they have done for the screen — by Fredric March, Teresa Wright and Dana Andrews, and by Cathy O'Donnell, talented newcomer who plays Homer's sweetheart.

In its direction, photography, writing and acting, Best Years is so far ahead of anything produced by Hollywood this year, it should win every award in sight in a walk.



Honored Artist Ambrosi Butchma, as Taras, in 'The Taras Family,' new Soviet film directed by Mark Donskoy, opening at the Stanley Theatre Dec. 7.

ART
Today

Painting With
One Hand Tied
Behind Back

by Marion Summers

Every once in a while you run into an artist who seems to have wandered in from some other age, who looks at the world with eyes of the past, and still seems convincing. It is hard to say to what time Ogden Pleissner really belongs—17th century Dutch, Barbizon School, Hudson River School? But, then, they are all part of a romantic landscape tradition, and Pleissner is a romantic landscape painter.

At the Macbeth Gallery, Pleissner is exhibiting some two dozen watercolors. He is a master of the medium and handles it with a sense of effortless precision. His paintings have depth, warmth and sparkle. The only trouble is that they seem so remote. Whether it is a scene along the Seine or a bombed-out hamlet in Italy, you get the same feeling of romantic picturesqueness that you do from the colored etchings in a dentist's anteroom.

Byron Browne is one of our more brilliant young American painters. He has grown out of the Picasso

tradition but has developed a language of his own. There is no denying his inventive ability, his craftsmanship or his cleverness. He paints with ease and authority, and in recent years with occasional slickness. His paintings now at the Kootz Gallery are not dull or pedestrian. He is not one of the endless collection of academic abstractionists that clutter up the American art scene.

But recognizing all these virtues, I am still left cold. This is picture making, facile, self-controlled and tasteful. This is painting for its own sake. The compositions are fine, large and completely dehumanized. His studies of jazz musicians, white and Negro, are paper cutouts seen without feeling and rendered with disinterested facility. It is painting with one hand behind the back, or one brain lobe in action. I am getting a little fed up with all the pure visual experience being dished out on 57th Street, and I spend a good deal of time praying for just a little experience which might touch the mind and the heart.



Elie Siegmeister, composer-director, who will lead his American Ballad Singers at a Music At Midnite presentation tonight (Saturday) at 11:30 p.m. at Town Hall. A portion of the program will consist of Thanksgiving ballads and American Christmas carols.

Verdi's 'Otello'
At Carnegie Tonight

Verdi's 'Otello' will be performed at Carnegie Hall tonight (Saturday) at 11:00 p.m. Paul Smith, internationally known Negro singer will play the title role.

Chapayev, Alibi
At Irving Place

The new bill at the Irving Place Theatre today through next Wednesday consists of Chapayev with Boris Babochkin (Soviet) and Alibi with James Mason (English).

Soriano Exhibit

A comprehensive showing of Pictures in Tiles and Watercolors by Soriano is a feature of the current exhibit at Roko Gallery, 51 Greenwich Ave., New York. The show will continue through December 24.

RADIO

EVENING

- 6:15-WNBC-Marion Hutton, Records
- 7:00-WNBC-Our Foreign Policy
- WOR-Guess Who-Quiz
- 7:15-WJZ-Elmer Davis-News
- WCBS-Jean Sablon, Songs
- 7:30-WNBC-Curtain Time-Play
- WOR-Arthur Hale
- WJZ-Cut Massy Show
- WCBS-Vaughn Monroe Show
- WMCA-News Reports
- WQXR-Memorable Moments
- 7:45-WOR-The Answer Man
- WMCA-Fashion in Melody
- 8:00-WNBC-Life of Riley, with William Bendix
- WOR-WNBC-Twenty Questions
- WJZ-Famous Jury Trials
- WCBS-Hollywood Star Time
- WMCA-News: Music
- WQXR-News: Symphony Hall
- 8:30-WNBC-Truth or Consequences
- With Ralph Edwards
- WOR-Juvenile Jury
- WJZ-I Deal in Crime-Play
- WMCA-Shoot the Works-Quiz
- WCBS-Mayer of the Town, with Lionel Barrymore
- 8:55-WCBS-Ned Calmer, News
- 9:00-WNBC-Roy Rogers Show
- WJZ-Gangbusters-Play
- WCBS-Hit Parade
- WMCA-News: Concert Music
- WQXR-News: Symphony Hall
- 9:30-WNBC-Can You Top This?
- WOR-Leave It to the Girls
- WJZ-Adventures of Sherlock Holmes
- 9:45-WCBS-Saturday Serenade
- 10:00-WNBC-Judy Canova Show
- WOR-Theatre of the Air
- WJZ-American Melodies
- WMCA-News: Dance Music
- WQXR-News: Record Album
- 10:15-WCBS-This Is Hollywood
- 10:30-WNBC-Grand Ole Opry
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100 Teachers' Subs Go Job Hunting--But No Luck

One hundred substitute teachers applied for jobs as waiters, waitresses, office clerks, department store workers, bank clerks and tellers—and there wasn't a single job to be had anywhere. They found that out yesterday at the office of the United States Employment Service, 44 E. 23rd St., where they were interviewed by Constance Bell, manager of the Service Branch.

The substitute teachers, members of the CIO Teachers Union, applied for jobs as part of their "Don't Forget Substitute" week—a dramatized effort to win public support for their \$5-a-day increase fight.

On Monday, the union's resolutions for salary increases will be received by 500 faculties of the city's schools and next Wednesday, Dec. 4, more than 1,000 teachers will demonstrate at the Board of Education, 110 Livingston St., Brooklyn, at 4 p.m.

Sub teachers were not included in the recent \$250 pay rise granted to regular teachers. The union's petitions, circulated and signed by thousands of New Yorkers yesterday, reveals that substitute teachers are regulars except in status and that they receive from \$28 to \$30 a week in take-home pay.

An example of the shocking conditions under which they work were the two Thanksgiving Day holidays, for which they were not paid—a loss of from \$18.50 to \$20.50.

Attlee Consults India Experts

Prime Minister Clement R. Attlee yesterday summoned his three chief cabinet experts to 10 Downing St. for a consultation on the Indian round-table conference which is to start here Tuesday, according to United Press.

Political quarters understood that Attlee called in Sir Stafford Cripps, president of the Board of Trade; Lord Pethick-Lawrence, secretary for India, and First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander for the consultation.

The decision of Jawaharlal Nehru, leader of the Indian caretaker government, to attend the conference was still unreported here officially but was accepted as fact.

Latest word from New Delhi was that Field Marshal Viscount Wavell, the viceroy, and Moslem minister of finance Liaquat Ali Khan would leave New Delhi this morning and that Nehru and Baldev Singh, Sikh leader and defense minister, would leave in Wavell's own plane at 1 p.m.

At Karachi, Moslem leader Jinnah will join them for a joint flight to London tomorrow.

STRONGER STATE RENT LID ON AGENDA OF AFL PARLEY

Amendment of the state rent control law to freeze rents at present levels regardless of federal action is expected to be one of the key demands of the state AFL legislative conference, to be held next Tuesday afternoon in Albany.

Local unions from all over the state will be represented.

The conference, held annually before the state legislature goes into session, will also consider measures

Porter Resigns; OPA Liquidation Speeded

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—President Truman tonight accepted the resignation of Price Administrator Paul A. Porter, effective Dec. 4. Truman told Porter that "the danger of ruinous postwar inflation is much lessened by the efforts which you and your associates have made in the critical months since price control was extended."

Porter told Truman that planning for the liquidation of OPA "is well under way," and said OPA's part of that program is now being put into effect.

He said "I do not believe that I can personally make any further contribution to these operations and, accordingly, I am submitting my resignation to take effect at your early convenience."

Porter is on leave from the chairmanship of the Federal Communications Commission and there were reports he would return to that post.

But his letter of resignation, and the President's reply, indicated the FCC report is untrue.

"I can understand the reasons which impel you to return to private activity," the President said. "Since the war began you have given your government unselfish service at personal sacrifice and I cannot

rightfully insist that you remain in the Federal service longer."

The resignation came as Administration officials were putting the final touches on a plan to liquidate and consolidate OPA, the Civilian Production Administration and other wartime agencies.

White House press secretary Charles G. Ross said earlier today the consolidation plans would be announced within a few days.

Hundreds March in Protest As Spanish Ship Docks Here

Several hundred pickets staged a protest march outside Pier 53 on the North River here last night as a Franco ship, the S.S. Magallanes, docked and began discharging cargo. City Councilman Eugene V. Connolly, who paraded with the pickets, addressed the crowd and declared: "We have not won the war against fascism so long as fascist ships are permitted to do business with the USA."

LATIN AMERICANS TO FORM OWN NEWS ASSOCIATION

(Continued from Page 1) gations have defeated plans to carry this into effect.

The North American attitude here is cynical about a truly competitive Latin American agency working successfully. But it is recognized that since all viewpoints among Latin American delegations favored the new agency, an important step toward fuller national independence of peoples here has been taken.

This congress, whose previous annual meetings were in Mexico City, Havana and Caracas, is an interesting mixture of both commercial and editorial interest in leading newspapers below the Rio Grande. Except for a few Central American Republics and the Argentine and Brazilian press the congress is very representative. Needless to say the U. S. delegation reflects only a fragment of our press.

Your correspondent caused great interest in all circles as signifying a new trend in the United States. His first speech Thursday night, urging U. S. delegates to accept the constructive criticism of the Latin American papers, was very well received and the subject of much comment. He has been interviewed at length by reactionary *El Siglo*, by *El Liberal* and *Union Popular*, the Communist weekly.

Despite an incredible series of social functions and receptions by leading papers and the conservative President Ospina Perez, the congress got down to business Wednesday.

Progressive resolutions on the



CHOSEN 'MISS LIBERTY' by trailer dealers is Geneva Trim, of Tiptonville, Tenn., who gives a snappy salute as she steps from a trailer in Gulfport, Miss. Geneva is a student at Gulf Park College.

Sanitation Union Protests Holiday Denial

The CIO Sanitation workers yesterday took action to see that they spend Christmas and New Year's Day at home.

James Griest, president of the local, wired Sanitation Commissioner William J. Powell, a protest over the enforced work day on Thanksgiving. The commissioner's denial of the union request for the day off, Griest wired to Powell, "was even more shocking when you realize that sanitation men get no holidays during the entire year except Christmas, and this only if it does not snow."

Last Wednesday night the union's general stewards' assembly unanimously voted to protest the department's no-day off order for Thanksgiving and to demand holidays on Christmas and New Year's Day except "in event of snow or other emergencies."

Griest's telegram warned Powell the union expected him to act on its request by Dec. 18 and that a membership meeting is planned for next month to act on the department's position.

The picketing, participated in by members of a score of trade unions and Spanish organizations, was organized by the New York Win The Peace Committee.

Judy Holliday, star of "Born Yesterday," took part in the demonstration.

On two previous occasions the Win The Peace organization protested the arrival here of the SS Marquess de Comillas, a sister vessel to the Magallanes. Both are operated by the Franco-controlled Spanish Lines.

Hitler's Monument Goes for \$135,000

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Nov. 28.—When the Nazi armies were going strong, Adolf Hitler paid \$1,900,000 for Swedish red granite intending to use it for a "victory monument." It was sold at auction today for \$135,000.

Guildsman to Speak

Irving Gilman, research director of the New York Newspaper Guild, will speak on the free press, Sunday, Dec. 1, at 8:30 p.m., at the Progressive Forum, 13 Astor Pl.

FIGHTING flared between Viet-Nam (Indo-China) troops and French forces.

Moscow Tells of Large Demobilization

LONDON, Nov. 29.—Radio Moscow reported tonight that "thousands" of demobilized Russian soldiers were returning home from occupied territory.

The first trainloads of demobilized men from Berlin arrived in Moscow today and others are on their way, the broadcast said as recorded here.

Garden Rally Monday on Amity with USSR

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